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REMARKS

A Notice of Drawing Inconsistency With Specification ("the Notice") was mailed in this application on November 8, 2005, by the Office of Patent Publication. In particular, the Notice indicated that Figure 8 was contained in the Drawings but was not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings. A copy of the Notice is enclosed herewith.

In response to the Notice, Applicant has amended the Brief Description of the Drawings to include a reference to Figure 8. In particular, this amendment to the specification in being made after the payment of the Issue Fee and in accordance with M.P.E.P. §714.16(d)(III), which reads in relevant part:

In preparation of a patent for issuance as a patent grant, if the Office of Patent Publication (PUBS) discovers . . . an inconsistency between the drawings and the application papers, PUBS may require an appropriate amendment to the specification or drawings. . . . In order to be able to accept such an amendment as may be required without having to withdraw an application from issue, effective February 24, 2004, PUBS has been delegated the authority to waive the requirement of 37 CFR 1.312 and accept an amendment filed after the payment of the issue fee.

Applicant submits that no new subject matter has been introduced by this amendment and that the drawing inconsistency has been corrected. If further issues remain to be resolved, the Office of Patent Publication is cordially invited to contact the undersigned such that any remaining issues may be promptly resolved. Also, please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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